Assassination Play Shown In Germany

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AACHEN, Germany, Nov. 12 (AP)—A German play about the assassination of President Kennedy has been given its premiere at the tiny Grenzland Theater here. Two critics were unenthusiastic.

"Dallas-November 22" was written by Felix Luetzkendorf, 60, a Munich playwright. He calls it a "reportage for the stage."

The play is based on the Warren Report and presents 13 "pictures" from the life of Lee Harvey Oswald.

President Kennedy does not appear in the play. A huge photograph of the President and passages from some of his speeches can be seen in the background in some scenes. Luetzkendorf says that this is meant to "show the permanent spiritual presence of the President."

Said the Frankfurter Allegmeine in its review:

"Nowhere does the author reach beyond the banal naturalism of a magazine story, except for a few ideological disputes which were fascinating in their dialogical presentation."

And Hamburg's Die Zeit commented:

"This is not a work of art."